

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

SB 2283 - HB 2477

March 4, 2018

SUMMARY OF BILL: Urges the Department of Transportation (TDOT) to conduct a statewide study of hazards posed by exit and entrance interstate ramps within urban counties and other counties with high traffic volume. Requires TDOT to submit its findings and recommendations within 90 days of conducting such study to the transportation committees of the General Assembly.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures – Exceeds \$336,000/One-Time/Highway Fund

Assumptions:

- TDOT will elect to conduct a study pursuant to the urging provision of this legislation.
- TDOT will conduct a study of hazards posed by high traffic exit and entrance interstate ramps in Tennessee's four largest urban counties which include: Davidson, Hamilton, Knox, and Shelby counties.
- It is unknown the extent of high traffic volume ramps that would need to be studied to effectively complete the statewide study.
- It is assumed that a minimum of four high traffic volume ramps will be studied in each of the four specified urban counties; with all such ramps experiencing varying degrees of high traffic volume and conditions. Therefore, a minimum of 16 ramps would be studied to effectuate the purpose of this legislation.
- Based on the information provided by TDOT, each high traffic volume ramp inspection will cost approximately \$21,000.
- The one-time increase in state expenditures for TDOT to conduct the proposed study is estimated to exceed \$336,000 (minimum 16 ramps x \$21,000).
- Any fiscal impact as a result of TDOT submitting its findings and recommendations within 90 days of conducting the study is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Krista M. Lee, Executive Director

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